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A BILL FOR

1 An Act making an appropriation to celebrate the twenty-fifth
2 anniversary of the resource enhancement and protection
3 program.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. REAP ANNIVERSARY — APPROPRIATION.

2 1. There is appropriated from the general fund of the state
3 to the department of natural resources for the fiscal year
4 beginning July 1, 2014, and ending June 30, 2015, the following
5 amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the
6 purposes designated:

7 For purposes of celebrating the twenty-fifth anniversary
8 of the resource enhancement and protection program including
9 the Iowa resources enhancement and protection fund, the Iowa
10 congress on resources enhancement and protection, and county
11 resource enhancement committees, as provided in chapter 455A:
12 \$ 650,000

13 2. Of the amount appropriated in subsection 1, at least
14 \$495,000 shall be used to provide grants to public entities or
15 nonprofit organizations operating within counties to pay for
16 the direct costs associated with sponsoring public events to
17 commemorate the anniversary. The department shall consider
18 not more than one application submitted by the same public
19 entity or nonprofit organization operating within a county.
20 All public entities or nonprofit organizations operating within
21 a county shall not receive more than \$5,000 for sponsoring a
22 public event within a county. However, the department shall
23 award moneys on a dollar-for-dollar match with moneys to be
24 contributed by a public entity or nonprofit organization
25 applying for the grant.

26 3. Of the amount appropriated in subsection 1, at least
27 \$122,500 shall be used to provide a grant to one or more
28 statewide nonprofit organizations to pay for the direct
29 costs associated with sponsoring public events to commemorate
30 the anniversary. The public events must be conducted in
31 at least twelve state parks or recreation areas throughout
32 the state. However, the department shall award moneys on a
33 dollar-for-dollar match with moneys to be contributed by a
34 nonprofit organization applying for the award.

35 4. The department shall not expend more than \$32,500 for

1 costs associated with administering this section.

2 5. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in
3 this section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the
4 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain
5 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until the
6 close of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015.

7 EXPLANATION

8 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
9 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

10 This bill appropriates \$650,000 from the state general fund
11 to the department of natural resources (DNR) for purposes of
12 celebrating the 25th anniversary of the resource enhancement
13 and protection program. DNR must expend 95 percent of
14 the appropriation to provide grants to a public entity or
15 nonprofit organization operating within a county and one or
16 more statewide nonprofit organizations to pay for the direct
17 costs associated with sponsoring public events to commemorate
18 the anniversary. DNR may retain 5 percent for purposes of
19 administration. Moneys remaining, unencumbered or unobligated
20 at the close of the fiscal year, are eligible for expenditure
21 until the close of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015.